

EXTENSION OF REMARKS/STATEMENT BY CONGRESSMAN BOEHNER TO COMMEMORATING NATIONAL ALCOHOL AWARENESS MONTH

HON. JOHN A. BOEHNER

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 1, 2001

Mr. BOEHNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today during National Alcohol Awareness Month to recognize the Century Council and the distilled spirits industry for their latest efforts to fight drunk driving.

On April 10, 2001, in a landmark announcement, the Century Council joined by Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) announced that they will work together to help states implement comprehensive legislation to combat the devastating problem of drunk driving.

America's leading distillers have had a long-standing commitment to fighting drunk driving and maintain that it is the responsibilities of the states to enact an appropriate blood alcohol concentration level.

Launched in May of 1991, the Century Council is funded by America's leading distillers to promote responsible decision-making regarding alcohol consumption and to fight alcohol abuse, focusing on drunk driving and underage drinking problems.

I am pleased to join President Bush and Secretary Mineta in commending the Century Council, the distilled spirits industry, and Mothers Against Drunk Driving for their lifesaving efforts.

IN HONOR OF BR. JAMES SPOONER, CSC PRESIDENT OF ST. EDWARD SCHOOL

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

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Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Br. James Spooner, CSC, President of St. Edward High School.

Born on January 4, 1946, Br. James Spooner grew up in Westpark where he attended Our Lady of Angels School. He eventually went to St. Edward High School in Lakewood where he graduated in 1964 and later attended Eastern Michigan University graduating with a B.A. and M.A. in Science.

Br. Spooner entered the congregation of Holy Cross in 1964 where he served his Postulancy at Sacred Heart Academy in Watertown, Wisconsin. He then served his Novitiate at St. Joseph Novitiate in Rolling Prairie, Indiana from 1964–1965 and his Scholasticate at Dujarie Hall in Notre Dame, Indiana from 1965–1967.

Br. Spooner has traversed throughout the Midwest Province serving as teacher and role model for high school students. He was a dedicated teacher and dorm counselor in Boysville School in Clinton, Michigan. He also spent time in Kentucky and Ohio offering his service at different high schools. From 1986–1988 he served as Associate Principal of Archbishop Hoban High School in Akron and

then in 1988 became President and Principal of St. Edward High School in Cleveland.

Under his leadership as President of St. Edward High School, Br. James Spooner has led the school to many great achievements. In 1996, St. Ed's was honored as a Nationally Recognized School of Excellence by the United States Department of Education. He spearheaded the St. Edward Technology Plan, a \$1 million program to incorporate technology in the classroom. He also raised the school's endowment from \$300,000 to over \$5 million for student financial aid and faculty development. He has worked tirelessly with the staff and faculty to create and foster the Community Service and Community Meal programs which allows St. Edwards staff and students help and serve others. He has also worked for the school accreditation as a College Preparatory School.

Most recently, he worked to launch the Generations of Eagles campaign, an ongoing capital campaign that will change the landscape of St. Edward High School from a Student Activity Center to be opened this fall, to the Jack Kahl Student Life and Leadership Center to break ground this summer, and the complete renovations of the Chapel starting next year.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honoring Br. James Spooner's hard work, dedication and his commitment to the St. Edward High School community.

TRIBUTE TO THE AUXILIARY OF RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY HOSPITAL ON THEIR 75th ANNIVERSARY

HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 1, 2001

Mr. CALVERT. Mr. Speaker, my congressional district in Riverside, California is extremely fortunate to have a dynamic and dedicated group of community volunteers who willingly and unselfishly give of their time and talents to ensure the well-being of our city and county. These individuals work tirelessly to enrich and brighten the lives of so many at Riverside Community Hospital. It is my distinct pleasure to honor and commend the Auxiliary of Riverside Community Hospital today as they celebrate their 75th Anniversary on April 28th.

Volunteers of the Auxiliary of Riverside Community Hospital have donated millions of hours of service to the hospital and the community over the last 75 years. Fund-raising before 1997 helped to significantly improve services at the hospital. And since then, the Auxiliary has raised \$50,000 for defibrillators for the Riverside City Fire Department, \$75,000 for a mobile health vehicle to deliver free health services throughout the riverside area, and most recently \$50,000 for dental equipment and \$25,000 for health educational materials for the Eastside Health Center. The Auxiliary volunteers also raise funds for educational scholarships and seminars.

Volunteers of the Auxiliary give over 60,000 volunteer service hours a year to the Riverside Community Hospital in addition to all of their community work. Services that Auxiliary volunteers perform to augment the quality of health

care at the hospital include: Discharging patients, clerical work, visiting patients, information desk, messenger service, maternity tea, lobby host and much more.

As we approach National Volunteer Week, from April 21 to April 28, it is fitting that we thank the Auxiliary volunteers for their dedication and service to better the lives committed to Riverside Community Hospital's care and the enriched atmosphere that their presence creates. 2001's designation as International Year of Volunteers also reminds us that the men, women and youth across our nation who volunteer deserve recognition and thanks for giving back to their local community, state and nation.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate the Auxiliary of Riverside Community Hospital on its 75th anniversary and commend its local community and city service.

IN SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF ARTHUR I. CERALDI ON HIS APPOINTMENT TO ATTEND THE UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY

HON. PAUL E. GILLMOR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 1, 2001

Mr. GILLMOR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay special tribute to an outstanding young man from Ohio's Fifth Congressional District. I am happy to announce that Arthur I. Ceraldi of Oak Harbor, Ohio, has been offered an appointment to attend the United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland.

Mr. Speaker, Arthur's offer of appointment poises him to attend the United States Naval Academy this fall with the incoming midshipman class of 2005. Attending one of our nation's military academies is an invaluable experience that offers a world-class education and demands the very best that these young men and women have to offer. Truly, it is one of the most challenging and regarding undertakings of their lives.

Arthur brings an enormous amount of leadership, service and dedication to the incoming class of Naval Academy Midshipmen. While attending Oak Harbor High School, Arthur has attained a grade point average of 3.75, which places him 21 in a class of 175. Arthur is a member of the National Honor Society, and received a superior rating at the Ohio State Science Fair during his sophomore year.

Outside the classroom, Arthur has distinguished himself as an excellent student-athlete. On the fields of competition, Arthur has earned varsity letters in football, track and swimming where he is the team captain. Arthur has also been active in the Boy Scouts, the French Club, the Science Club, the Varsity Club, and Buckeye Boys State.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to rise today to pay special tribute to Arthur Ceraldi. Our service academies offer the finest education and military training available anywhere in the world. I am confident that Arthur will do very well during his career at the Naval Academy and I ask my colleagues to join me in wishing him well as he begins his service to the nation.